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Sir:

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The documents (A) though (C), (AA) and (AB) were cited in the Search Report which issued in the European counterpart application. Document (C) is the U.S. counterpart of document (AA).

An English language translation of document (AB) is currently not readily available. The document which was considered to belong to the technical background art in the European Search Report relates to a method of increasing the absorption of carotenoids in blood serum and

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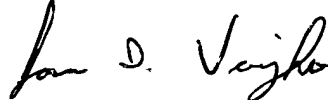
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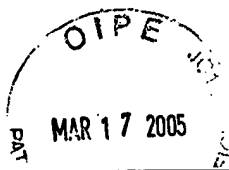


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